

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1-34. (*canceled*).

35. (*currently amended*) A surgical device for ~~implantation in a patient to repair~~ ~~repairing~~ cartilage tissue at a defect site in ~~the~~ a patient, said surgical device comprising:

a section of cartilage replacement material;
~~a biocompatible flexible member;~~
~~a biocompatible anchor connected to an end of said flexible member, said anchor shaped to siteat withininto tissue at the defect site toand retain said section of cartilage replacement material atin the defect site; and~~
~~a biocompatible flexible member said biocompatible flexible member traversing through said section of cartilage replacement material multiple times, said flexible member being configured to attached to said section of cartilage replacement material at an attachment point and threaded through said anchor at least twice to form at least two pulley loopmechanismss and a lockable sliding device, wherein when in use the at least two pulley mechanisms are actuated to translate the lockable sliding device distally along said flexible member to a position proximate to said section of cartilage replacement material with a distance between said attachment point and said anchor adjustable to tension said flexible member to andlocate and retain said section of cartilage replacement material inat the defect site.~~

36. (*currently amended*) The device of Claim 35, wherein said flexible member comprises a first end and a second end, wherein the first end is positioned at said attachment point and the second end being an opposite end of said flexible member~~the lockable sliding device positioned around~~~~looped around a proximal portion of~~ said flexible member to form a sliding device for use to adjust~~adjusting~~ as said distance between said attachment point and said anchor.

37. (*canceled*)

38. (*currently amended*) The device of Claim 35, wherein said lockable sliding device is a slipknot which, when tensioned, retains said section of cartilage replacement material in at the defect site.

39. (*previously presented*) The device of Claim 35, wherein said section of cartilage replacement material is formed at least in part of a material selected from the group consisting of non-woven materials and foam materials.

40. (*currently amended*) The device of Claim 35, wherein said section of cartilage replacement material is formed at least on part of a synthetic polymer selected from the group consisting of polyesters such as: poly-L-lactic acid (PLLA), poly-D-lactic acid (D-PLA), polyglycolic acid (PGA), polydioxinone (PDO), polycaprolactone (PCL), polyvinyl alcohol (PVA), polyethylene oxide (PEO), poly(ethylene terephthalate), and co-polymers of polyesters of the foregoing.

41. (*currently amended*) The device of Claim 35, wherein said section of cartilage replacement material is a scaffold derived from at least one biological material selected from the group consisting of proteins, such as tyrosine, polysaccharides and saccharides such as chitosan and hyaluronic acid, and collagenous tissue.

42. (*currently amended*) The device of Claim 35, wherein said flexible members is a are braided sutures.

43. (*currently amended*) The device of Claim 35, wherein said flexible member further includes a stopping member, said stopping member being engageable with said section of cartilage replacement material.

44. (*canceled*)

45. (*currently amended*) The device of Claim 43~~44~~, wherein said stopping member is a slipknot.

46. (*currently amended*) A surgical device for implanting implantation ~~in a patient to anchor~~ a section of cartilage replacement material in at a defect site in a the patient, said surgical device comprising:

at least one biocompatible anchor shaped to sit eat within ~~into~~ tissue at the defect site to retain said section at in the defect site; and

a biocompatible flexible member having first and second ends, said first end of said flexible member being attachable to the section of cartilage replacement material at an attachment point, said second end of said flexible member being threaded through said anchor at least twice to form at least two pulley mechanisms loops, and is looped around a proximal portion of said flexible member to form a stopping - sliding device around the proximal portion, wherein distal movement of the stopping device along the proximal portion of said flexible member facilitates positioning of with a distance between the attachment point and said anchor is adjustable to tension said flexible member and retain the section of cartilage replacement material within ~~at~~ the defect site.

47. (*currently amended*) The device of Claim 46, wherein said flexible member further includes a stopping member, said stopping device is member engageable with a proximal surface of the section of cartilage replacements material.

48. (*canceled*)

49. (*currently amended*) The device of Claim 47~~8~~, wherein said stopping device member is a slipknot.

50. (*canceled*)

51. (*new*) The device of Claim 40, where in the polyesters and co-polymers of polyesters are at last one of poly-L-lactic acid (PLLA), poly-D-lactic acid (D-PLA), polyglycolic acid (PGA), polydioxinone (PDO), polycaprolactone (PCL), polyvinyl

alcohol (PVA), polyethylene oxide (PEO), and poly(ethylene terephthalate).

52. (*new*) The device of Claim 41, wherein the proteins are at least one of tyrosine and polysaccharides.

53. (*new*) The device of Claim 41, wherein the saccharides are at least one of chitosan and hyaluronic acid.

54. (*new*) The device of Claim 36, wherein the at least two pulley mechanisms further comprise a proximal looped end and two distal loops with the proximal looped end being positioned through the lockable sliding device, and wherein upon tensioning of the proximal looped end the two distal loops corresponding slide thorough the anchor to facilitate decreasing the distance between said attachment point and said anchor thereby positioning said section of cartilage replacement material in the defect site.

55. (*new*) The device of claim 35, wherein the section of cartilage replacement material comprises a scaffold, the scaffold being fabricated from a biocompatible material for facilitating at least one of chondral and osteochondral integration.

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